Gunnison Valley Middle School Ephraim Middle School

South Sanpete School District

Counselor Sharon Mecham

Entire 8th grade class at both schools Target Group

Curriculum & Secrets to School Success (Based on the work of David S. Vincent)

Materials A copy of each student's historical grades

Explore what it takes to be a successful student

"Be Strong in the Hard Moments "article by Sean Covey

Stay Focused on Your Purpose

Poem "Now is the Time" by Sean Covey

Start date Eighth grade class presentation - November 4, 2002

End date Reviewed each students' goals during their SEOP

 $GVMS - 86 8^{th}$ grade students $EMS - 156 8^{th}$ grade students Process data

Perception Data I had several goals in mind with this project which include:

> Getting the Counselor in the classroom Surveying the students on their study habits

Teaching them about goal setting and successful students Requiring each student to set five academic goals which

would be reviewed during their SEOP

Results 97% of the students wrote 5 academic goals the day of the

> presentation. 73% of the students reported during their SEOP, that they had worked on at least one of the five goals they had set in

November. It also demonstrated to parents and teachers

Counselor time in the class room.

Implications This was a fun activity. I enjoyed giving this presentation at both

schools. I plan do it again at both schools next year.

This activity not only helps students see what they look like on paper, meaning what grades they have earned in the past. It helps them to understand what the strategy's are for success students.

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Target Group Hispanic Students

Curriculum & Materials

Invitation letter home to parents translated in Spanish

Education materials ordered from the State and other resources in

Spanish:

How to Get Good Grades

Helping you child become a Responsible Citizen

I am getting ready for Kindergarten Parents still make the difference

The grading scale 4.0 = A etc... handout

Program in Spanish and English

Certificates (4 students honored for earning honor roll status)

Spanish food, pot luck

Sponsors: Coca Cola / Yardley Dairy

Date March 8, 2006 @ 7:00

Number of

Students affected Forty seven students and their families

Perception Data Our perception was to have a special night just for Hispanic

students and their parents. We want our Hispanic parents to feel welcome at the school and have a better understanding of the education and student citizenship process. We involved students with translating the invitation letters. We had Hispanic parents in charge of organizing the food for the "pot luck". We invited

two successful Hispanic men from the community to speak. I presented information and a handout explaining

The schools grading system (A=4.0 etc...). The school building was open for students to take their parents to see their class rooms.

We had several sponsors for this event.

Results Data We felt like this event was very successful and well attended. Only

two students did not attend (96%).

Implications Hispanic parents thanked, and thanked us for this night. The

results of this night told us that Hispanic parents want to be involved with the school, and their students' education. We plan

to make this an annual event.